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TINTOWN,

LYDD.

Widow

t. Dearest, Nothing is decided
yet about where I am going, but
it is most unlikely I shall be
home, unless on the way to
Hidderoth or France, simply
because an army order has
stopped all weechen & have
except for very particular reasons.
So don't expect me tomorrow.
Just keep a place for me & if I
am coming I will telegraph.
The worst part is that James
leave is to be stopped. At
least only 10% are to go now.

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It ~~was~~ is impossible
that such a junior officer
as I am could be among the
104. But should I go to
Hdqn the things might be
different. In any case,
of course, before I go over
I ought to have 6 days
leave. It will be annoying
to have to stay here. The
only way out would be to
get Ellis to motor over
for me to spend the day.

there, because they say that
so long as you don't go by
train it doesn't much matter.

I see that Capt. Wythe
has gone to Salisbury with
his battery, so I may go
there. But we have heard
nothing more about it. Just
make the best of things till I
turn up.

There isn't anything more
to say till we are all posted
tomorrow. Then I will
write, unless chance brings
me home, as I hope. Edw.

PTO

If you have y anybody wanting
to give me anything I need
the following things : —

An outskin (cost about \$1) overcoat.

- x Arctic soles y a small size for
wearing with gum boots.
- a 'Life guard' periscope.
- a pocket sextant.

x about 2 sizes too small.